past experience that BSNL is able to recover the compensation amount from Private Operators but is facing a lot of problems to recover the compensation amount from Government agencies, as they are not willing to pay compensation.

Coordination is also done with various agencies likely to damage the underground cables due to digging of roads so that the incidences of cable cuts are minimized. FIRs are also lodged by BSNL for the theft of underground cables but the chances of recovery of stolen material are very remote.

Pending applications for telephone connections in Bihar

†132. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that pending applications for telephone connections have gone up in the various offices of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. in the district of Madhubani in Bihar; and

(b) if so, the latest position with regard to pending applications and waiting list alongwith the time period within which the said waiting list would be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) No, Sir. Pending waiting list for telephone connections in the various exchanges of Madhubani District in Bihar have reduced from 5363 as on 1.1.2006 to 4358 as on 31.10.2006.

(b) Latest position with regard to pending applications and waiting list is given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below). Additional equipments is being installed/procured for clearing the waiting lists. It is planned to clear the waiting list as on 30.9.2006 by 30.6.2007.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Pending waiting list of Madhubani Telecom District as on 31.10.2006

Sl. No.	SDCA	Name of X'ge	Equipped capacity (Lines)	Working Connections (Nos.) As on 31.10.2006	Waiting List				Total Waiting List
					within 5 km		Beyond 5 Km		
					SPL	GENL.	SPL.	GENL.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.	Benipatty	Area	496	482	0	35	0	90	125
		Basaitha	496	485	0	36	12	87	135
		Benipatty	2000	1669	0	42	0	196	238
		Bisfi	1000	932	0	44	0	200	244
		Madhwapur	496	362	0	18	0	34	52
		Muraliachak	496	370	0	25	0	71	96
		Khirhar	496	494	0	64	0	98	162
		Saharghat	496	325	0	11	0	101	112
2.	Jainagar	Basopatti	1000	998	0	6	0	76	82
		Umagon	400	394	0	0	0	30	30
		Jainagar (U)	3000	1927	0	26	33	111	170
		Khajedih	152	103	0	1	0	15	16
		Ladaniya	500	430	0	2	0	4	6
		Padma	152	120	0	4	0	43	47

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Narar	760	557	0	1	0	25	26
		Bishoul	248	242	0	0	0	1	1
3.	Jhanjharpur	Andhratharhi	360	347	0	146	0	129	275
		Harari	248	218	0	55	0	47	102
		Jhanjharpur (U)	2000	1902	0	141	0	110	251
		Kothia	496	271	0	43	0	66	109
		Madhepur	1384	923	0	65	0	103	168
		Sarisopahi	1000	407	0	71	1	65	137
		Simara	496	297	0	25	1	27	53
		Tamauria	248	248	0	42	0	24	66
		Tulapatganj	1000	592	0	135	2	115	252
		Baboobarhi	1000	531	0	42	0	28	70
		Belahi	336	305	1	75	0	38	114
4.	Madhubani	Bhat Simri	336	335	0	13	0	20	33
		Gandhwara	496	457	0	48	0	22	70
		Ghanghaur	496	433	0	21	0	22	43
		Kaluahi	1000	802	0	12	0	43	55
		Khajauli	1000	619	0	0	0	7	7
		Koilakh	900	678	0	80	1	46	127
		Madhubani (U)	7000	6812	0	50	1	116	167
		Rahika	1000	824	0	0	0	3	3
		Rajnagar	1384	1093	0	51	0	60	111

		Rampatty	496	274	0	51	0	55	106
		Sakari	2000	1974	4	40	55	70	169
		Sibipatti	336	322	0	11	0	29	40
5.	Phulparas	Ekhatha	360	352	0	4	0	12	16
		Ghoghardiha (U)	352	351	0	14	0	29	43
		Hanuman Nagar	184	180	0	8	0	9	17
		Khutauna	1000	645	0	12	0	12	24
		Laukaha	336	336	0	8	0	14	22
		Laukahi	184	178	0	12	0	20	32
		Khopa	152	65	0	80	0	10	90
		Phulparas	1000	542	0	8	0	9	17
6.	Supaul	Nirmali (U)	1000	694	0	2	0	12	14
		Kunauli Bazar	248	155	0	0	0	13	13
	TOTAL:		42016	34052	5	1680	106	2567	4358